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"The Under-Secretary of State," Foreign Office, London, S.W. 1.

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THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for India and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith copies of the under-mentioned paper.

Foreign Office,
March 20th, 1940.

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My Lord,

With reference to Sir Hughe Knatchbull Hugessen's despatch No.304 of the 8th June 1939, I have the honour to report that Messrs. Isa Yusufoglu and F. L. Cabel Ma arrived in Kabul towards the end of November and left for India in the middle of December 1939.

2. Throughout their stay, they were entertained in the Kabul Hotel as state guests, and had opportunities of meeting the majority of the more important Afghan officials. They made a brief visit to this Legation, and in the course of conversation informed me that their mission was to get into touch with Muslims outside China with the object of securing sympathy for their cause. Beyond a brief reference to the Ex-Amir of Khotan, who resides in Kabul, they did not touch on local affairs, and I have no information that their visit produced any results in Afghan circles apart from some vague expressions of sympathy with Marshall Chiang Kai-shek's Government.

3. I am sending a copy of this despatch to the Secretary of State for India, the Government of India and to His Majesty's Representative in China.

I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servant,

Sd/- W. K. Fraser Tytler.

The Right Honourable

Viscount Halifax., K.G., P.C., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.,

&c., &c., &c.,

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British Embassy,

Angora.

6th June, 1939.

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No. 304
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My Lord,

With reference to Sir Percy Loraine's despatch No. 637 of the 7th December, 1938, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that two Moslem Chinese arrived in Angora on a propaganda mission towards the end of May. These gentlemen, whose names are given as Isa Yusufoglu and F. L. Ozbek Ma, have no official status but are prominent members of the Chinese League of Nations Union. Having come to Turkey from India by way of Syria and Egypt, they intend to return to India by way of Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan.

2. The Chinese Chargé d'Affaires, who appears to be lending every support to the mission, informed a member of my staff that they intended to spend about a month in Angora; he did not, however, anticipate that they would deliver any lectures on the situation in the Far East as had been the intention of the mission whose visit was reported in Sir Percy Loraine's despatch under reference. They are, nevertheless, distributing a strongly worded manifesto by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and this was reproduced in the semiofficial "Ulus" of the 25th May.

3. I am sending copies of this despatch to His Majesty's Representatives in China (to Peking and to Shanghai), at Baghdad, Teheran and Kabul and to the Government of India.

I have the honour to be, with the highest respect,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble Servant,

(Sd). H. Knatchbull-Hugessen.

The Right Honourable
The Viscount Halifax, K.G.,
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Kabul,

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Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of a despatch , as marked below, which I have addressed to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. K. Fraser-Tytler

The Secretary,

Political Department,

India Office.

Regr asked for 13/3 again 16/3

Have we a copy of the Tehran despatch referred to? If not could one get one from the F.O.?

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No. 10, dated the 25th January 1940.

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Kabul,
26th February 1940.

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